NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS BY THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting program, under the California Porter-Cologne Act and the federal Clean Water Act, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board), hereby gives notice of the following **Proposed Actions**:

- 1. Adoption of tentative Order No. R9-2002-0104; NPDES Permit No. CA0108821; Waste Discharge Requirements for the Rancho California Water District, Santa Rosa Water Reclamation Facility Discharge to the Santa Margarita River, Riverside County.
- 2. Adoption of tentative Cease and Desist Order No. R9-2002-0212; *Rancho California Water District, Santa Rosa Water Reclamation Facility Discharge to the Santa Margarita River, Riverside County.*

The Regional Board wishes to obtain information to assist it in determining the proper permit conditions and requirements for continuing the discharge of tertiary treated wastewater to the Santa Margarita River in Riverside County. Public hearings will be held by the Regional Board to receive and consider public testimony regarding the proposed actions. The public hearings are scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2002, at the following location:

Rancho California Water District, District Board Room 42135 Winchester Road Temecula, California

Interested persons are invited to attend to express their views on the above mentioned items. Oral statements will be heard, but for the accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. Written testimony should be submitted to the Regional Board office as soon as possible and no later than September 25, 2002. Presentations should be brief to allow all interested parties time to be heard.

For more information, please contact Ms. Chiara Clemente at (858) 467-2359 or by email at cleme@rb9.swrcb.ca.gov

All documents, comments received, and other information related to the above mentioned items are on file and may be reviewed at the office of the Regional Board at 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100, San Diego, California, 92123, telephone (858) 467-2952, FAX (858) 571-6972. Review of information and files can be conducted on the following dates and times: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and Monday and Thursday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Certain documents are also available on the Regional Board's Internet Website at: www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb9

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any person known to you who would be interested in these matters.

JOHN H. ROBERTUS Executive Officer

September 4, 2002